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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Yoshihiro NAKAO et al.

Confirmation No. 5495

Application No.: 10/791,791

Group Art Unit: 1634

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Examiner: James Martinell, Ph.D.

Title: SCREENING METHOD FOR GENES OF BREWING YEAST

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND REPLY
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 AND 1.821-1.825

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 26, 2007, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider and enter the following amendments and remarks. The Office Action sets a shortened statutory period of response as the longer of one (1) month or 30 days from the mailing date of the Office Action. The response thus is timely filed by May 29, 2007, by virtue of May 26th and May 27th falling on a weekend and May 28th falling on a national holiday.

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